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SUBJECT: JAMAICA FY 1975 AID PROGRAM

FOR THE AMBASSADOR

1. IN LIGHT OF THE JAMAICAN GOVERNMENT'S UNILATERAL ACTION IN INCREASING TAXES AND ROYALTIES ON BAUXITE PRODUCTION AND RENOUNCING ICSID AUTHORITY WITH RESPECT TO CONTRACT DISPUTES WITH THE U.S. ALUMINUM COMPANIES STATE/AID HAVE CONCLUDED THAT WE SHOULD PROCEED AS FOLLOWS IN IMPLEMENTING THE FY 1975 AID PROGRAM FOR JAMAICA:

A. AGRICULTURE SECTOR LOAN. THE DOLS. 8 MILLION AGRICULTURE SECTOR LOAN DESCRIBED IN THE FY 1975 CONGRESSIONAL CONFIDENTIAL

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SUBMISSION IS INCLUDED AMONG THE LATIN AMERICA LOAN PRO-

POSALS FOR AUTHORIZATION THIS FISCAL YEAR. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE INCONSISTENT WITH OUR DEMARCHE ON THE RURAL EDUCATION LOAN, AND MISLEADING TO THE JAMAICAN GOVERNMENT, TO INITIATE ANOTHER LARGE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AT THIS TIME. THEREFORE, THE SECTOR-ASSESSMENT REQUIRED FOR PREPARATION OF THE AGRICULTURE LOAN WILL BE LIMITED, FOR THE PRESENT, TO AN IN-HOUSE REVIEW IN WASHINGTON OF ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION, WITH NO JAMAICAN INVOLVEMENT. WE SHALL RECONSIDER THE SITUATION AS WE COMPLETE THE REVIEW.

THE WORLD BANK HAS AGREED TO OUR PARTICIPATION HERE IN AN OCTOBER DEBRIEFING OF THE FAO TEAM NOW IN JAMAICA. HOWEVER, THE BANK IS UNDER INSTRUCTION FROM THE JAMAICAN GOVERNMENT NOT TO RELEASE THE JOINT SECTOR ANALYSIS WHICH THEY CONDUCTED LAST YEAR. THEREFORE, WE REQUEST THAT THE MISSION SUBMIT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHATEVER DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THE SECTOR CAN BE ACQUIRED FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES FROM THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND OTHER LOCAL SOURCES. YOU SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT INDICATE THAT WE WANT THE DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH A POSSIBLE NEW LOAN.

B. NEW GRANT ACTIVITIES. GRANT PROJECTS NOT INCLUDED IN THE FY 1975 CONGRESSIONAL SUBMISSION AND THEREFORE REQUIRING NOTIFICATION TO THE CONGRESS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR FUNDING THIS FISCAL YEAR. THE MISSION HAS PROPOSED THREE PROJECTS WHICH FALL INTO THIS CATEGORY, 1) ASSISTANCE TO THE PROJECTS DIVISION OF THE NATIONAL PLANNING AGENCY, 2) THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COOPERATIVE UNIT WITHIN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING, AND 3) INLAND FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT.

C. ONGOING GRANT ACTIVITIES. CONTINUING GRANT ACTIVITIES WILL GO FORWARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH NORMAL PROCEDURES. FOR FY 1975 THE LATIN AMERICA BUREAU HAS PROPOSED DOLS. 907,000 IN GRANT ASSISTANCE FOR JAMAICA, AS FOLLOWS:

FOOD PRODUCTION AND NUTRITION

--- TECHNICAL SUPPORT DOLS. 16,000

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POPULATION PLANNING AND HEALTH

--- FAMILY PLANNING, 532-11-580-030 DOLS. 360,000

EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES

--- PUBLIC SAFETY, 532-11-710-031 DOLS. 2,000

--- TECHNICAL SUPPORT DOLS. 25,000

SELECTED DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS

--- SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES,
--- 532-11-998-029 DOLS. 50,000
--- TECHNICAL SUPPORT DOLS. 16,000

INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL

- NARCOTICS CONTROL,
--- 532-11-995-037 DOLS. 438,000

THE MISSION MUST SUBMIT FOR APPROVAL A NEW PROP ON THE
FAMILY PLANNING PROJECT. FIRST AND SECOND QUARTER ALLOT-
MENTS ARE IN PROCESS FOR SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

(DOLS. 25,000) AND EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES TECHNICAL
SUPPORT (DOLS. 15,000).

YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THE FIGURES FOR FY 1975
STILL TENTATIVE. THE OPERATING YEAR BUDGET CANNOT BE
ESTABLISHED UNTIL CONGRESSIONAL APPROPRIATIONS HAVE BEEN
MADE. THE TOTAL AMOUNTS WE ARE CURRENTLY ESTIMATING FOR
BOTH LOANS AND GRANTS SUBSTANTIALLY EXCEED THE REQUEST-
ED LEVELS FOR LATIN AMERICA IN THE FY 1975 CONGRESSIONAL
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